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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: DEVICE FOR FIXING A MANIFOLD FOR FLUID DISTRIBUTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 3 and 5 as follows:

a1 3. (Amended) Clamp according to Claim 1, characterized in that it comprises a pivoting screw (12) and, opposite this pivoting screw, a fixed clamping tab (8).

a2 5. (Amended) Double clamp, characterized in that it is in the form of a bent metal strip (4), at the two ends of which is a clamp according to Claim 1.

Please add new claims 12-15 as follows:

a3 --12. Clamp according to Claim 2, characterized in that it comprises a pivoting screw (12) and, opposite this pivoting screw, a fixed clamping tab (8).--

--13. Double clamp, characterized in that it is in the form of a bent metal strip (4), at the two ends of which is a clamp according to Claim 2.--